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**Chronology on the Life of
 William and Elizabeth McLean Aird
 September 1861**

- 3 Mar 1821 William Aird was born in Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland to William (II) and Janet Thompson Aird.
- 22 May 1822 Elizabeth McLean was born in St Quivox, Ayrshire, Scotland to ~~Henry~~ and Elizabeth Gallay McLean.
 William spent his childhood and youth in learning the arts of spinning and weaving, probably with the guidance of his parents.
- 4 Sept 1846 William Aird had received the message of the LDS Missionaries and was baptized a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in _____, Scotland, at the age of 25 yrs.
- Soon after William was ordained to become an Elder in his new Church and did considerable missionary work among his kinfolk and neighbors.
- 4 Feb 1853 William Aird and Elizabeth McLean were married in _____. Scotland.
- 18 Mar 1853 This young couple left their native countryside and kinsmen. They embarked on the sailing vessel: _____, With Captain _____. The ship was lying in the Harbor of _____. They then headed toward America.
- 10 May 1853 William and Elizabeth disembarked at New Orleans, Louisiana, after 54 days on the high seas of the Atlantic Ocean. Then they, after a short respite, embarked on the paddle wheeler, _____, and traveled up the Mississippi River to St. Louis, Missouri. Here they joined the _____ ox and wagon train, wending their way to _____, Iowa. They were in the _____ Company going west to the Rocky Mountains.
- 16 Oct 1853 After nearly seven long, weary months, they arrived in Great Salt Lake Valley. Here they remained, through the time from then to at least the birth of their third child.
- 28 Aug 1855 On this date, William Thompson Aird was born to William and Elizabeth. He only grew to be 7 years, 4 months and 20 days old and died on 18 Dec 1862, and was buried in Heber in the Heber City Cemetery. He was a twin to his sister, Elizabeth Stewart Aird.
- 1 Oct 1857 Jennette Brown Aird was born in Salt Lake City, Utah, to William and Elizabeth McLean Aird.
- 1 May 1859 The first twelve settlers from Provo, Utah, entered Timpanogos Valley. They had been sent by Brigham Young to find timber, which, by then, was much needed in the lower valleys. Interestingly, only one of these 12 men was from Canada. All the rest 11 were English immigrants, proselyted by Heber

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- Chase Kimball as a result of his diligent and intense missionary labors in England.
- Summer 1859 More LDS settlers came into the valley and began to build a fort, which was 4 blocks square, inside the perimeters of 200 North to 400 North and 100 West to 300 West, in Heber (named after Heber C. Kimball), Wasatch County, Utah.
- By Sept 1860 Our young Aird family were called to Spanish Fork, Utah, to settle in that community.
- 18 Sept 1860 Another son, Henry McLean Aird, was born in Spanish Fork, Utah, to William and Elizabeth McLean Aird.
- By Sept 1861 Only one year later, they arrived in Heber, Wasatch County, Utah, to which town they brought the first spinning wheel and loom seen in the area. Here he became the first professional weaver to serve in this community.
- 18 Dec 1862 The seven-year-old + son became seriously ill and died in Heber and was buried in the Heber City Cemetery.
- 26 Sept 1863 John William Aird was born in Heber, Wasatch County, Utah, to William and Elizabeth McLean Aird. He later studied at the University of Deseret in Salt Lake City, Utah, under the tutorship of Dr. John R. Park. John William Aird credited Dr. Park with having a positive influence in the life of Aird and was the source of great inspiration. J. W. Aird became a physician and competent surgeon in Heber City and later in Provo, Utah. He established the Provo Hospital and the Aird Clinic in Provo.
- 1865 Began the Black Hawk War in Central Utah, and William Aird was enlisted into his good friend's Infantry Company, Captain John Murray Murdoch. This Company saw duty, along with all the Other able-bodied men of the Heber Contingent of the Utah Militia in the Echo War and in keeping peace with the Ute Indians and their Chief Tabby, in their aggravations toward the settlers in Wasatch County.
- 10 Apr 1866 Grace Mary Aird was born to William Aird and Elizabeth McLean Aird in Heber, Wasatch County, Utah.
- William Aird's skill at loom, with the warp and woof or weft, became known among the townspeople, to the extent, that the children in the family and the wife were mustered into the production of the cloth. They would card the wool obtained from their own sheep and from John Murray Murdoch, who was the town's professional Scotch shepherd and a very good friend. The wife, Elizabeth, would spin, card or weave wherever she was needed, besides keeping a tidy log cabin with a dirt floor. They also kept a garden which was popular and necessary in pioneer days.
- William also looked after a few cows (said his son, John William) and sheep, which provided the wool for his weaving. Eventually

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| Fall of 1867 | they owned a farm for the garden, barn, crops and the animals. Timpanogos Valley became a busy, thriving set of communities. Colonel Sidney <u>Albert</u> Johnston, commander of his 2,500 crack troops of the United States Army, and all of their equipment and supplies, arrived at Echo Canyon, Utah. The Utah Militia were ready for them. With Johnston's Army was the second Governor of the Territory of Utah: Alfred Cummings. |
| Spring 1868 | <i>With Brig. Young's Permission</i> Colonel Johnston marched by the Utah Militia emplaced all along the ramparts of that narrow Echo Canyon, on down into Salt Lake City, which they saw was empty of people. By agreement with Brigham Young, they were not to stop until they reached the other side of the Jordan River. Johnston and his troops adhered to this agreement. They set up camp at Fairfield, Utah, and called it Camp Floyd, in honor of the then-acting Secretary of War, <i>John B. Floyd.</i> |
| 5 July 1870 | Sarah Violet Ryan was born in Charleston, Utah, daughter of William Malachi Ryan and Floweretta Fraughton Ryan. <i>She married Henry McLean Aird.</i> |
| 11 Aug 1872 | The daughter, Elizabeth Stewart Aird, married Gustav Ludwig Anderson, a local Heber City merchant and farmer. |
| 4 Sept 1877 | Elizabeth McLean Aird, the devoted wife of William Aird (III), and true Heber pioneer, died and was buried in the Heber City Cemetery. |
| 19 Dec 1878 | Daughter, Jennette Brown Aird, married Charles William Giles. |
| 26 June 1887 | Daughter, Grace Mary Aird, married Charles William Giles. |
| 4 July 1889 | The steadfast pioneer father, William Aird, died and was buried in the Heber City Cemetery. |
| 25 June 1891 | Henry McLean Aird married (1) Jessie Quinn. |
| 5 July 1893 | Henry McLean Aird married (2) Sarah Violet Ryan. |
| 21 June 1895 | Son, John William Aird, married Emily Daun McCauslan. |

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